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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Director of the United States
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Dear Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed January 9, 2009, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the **Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on **page 2** of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.